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September 29, 2003

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate  
Chairman  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and DSLnet Communications, LLC Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.*  
Docket No. 03-00535

Dear Chairman Tate:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, DSLnet Communications, LLC and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated January 10, 2003. The Amendment amends the Notice provision in the Agreement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Guy M. Hicks

cc: Wendy Bluemling, DSLnet Communications, LLC

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and DSLnet Communications, LLC Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE**  
**AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**  
**NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.**  
**AND DSLNET COMMUNICATIONS, LLC**  
**PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

COME NOW, DSLnet Communications, LLC ("DSLnet") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated January 10, 2003 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, DSLnet and BellSouth state the following:

1. DSLnet and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to DSLnet. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on March 3, 2003.
2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement amends the notice provision in the Agreement. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, DSLnet and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration

and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and DSLnet within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. DSLnet and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

DSLnet and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 29<sup>th</sup> day of Sept, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

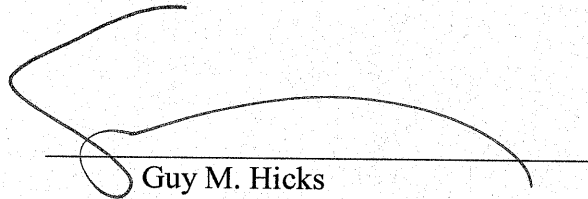
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of Jul., 2003:

Wendy Bluemling  
Assistant Vice President  
DSLnet Communications, LLC  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
545 Long Wharf Drive  
New Haven, Connecticut 06511



Guy M. Hicks

**Amendment to the Agreement  
Between  
DSLnet Communications, LLC  
and  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
Dated January 10, 2003**

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), DSLnet Communications, LLC (DSLnet), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated January 10, 2003 ("Agreement") to be effective 30 days after the date of the last signature executing the Amendment.

WHEREAS, BellSouth and DSLnet entered into the Agreement on January 10, 2003, and;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. The Parties hereby agree to Amend Section 8 of the Adoption Papers to delete customer information and replace with the following:

DSLnet Communications, LLC  
Schula Hobbs  
545 Long Wharf Drive, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New Haven, CT 06511  
Schula.hobbs@dsl.net

2. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated January 10, 2003, shall remain in full force and effect.
3. Either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

**BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.**

**DSLnet Communications, LLC**

By: Pat C Fink

By: Schula Hobbs

Name: Patricia C. Fink

Name: Schula Hobbs

Title: Asst Director

Title: Sr. mgr - Reg Affairs

Date: 8/8/03

Date: 7-29-03